

GLOVERSVILLE-JOHNSTOWN JOINT SEWER BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
April 28, 2021

The adjourned April 14, 2021 meeting of the Gloversville-Johnstown Joint Sewer Board was reconvened on April 28, 2021 with Chairman Rizzo presiding. The meeting was held via teleconference due to circumstances of the COVID-19 pandemic. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 P.M.

ROLL CALL

John Rizzo	Chairman
Bobbi Trudel	Vice Chairperson
Wrandy Siarkowski	Member
Christopher Perry	Member
Wallace Arnold	Manager-Wastewater Programs
Donna Renda	Fiscal Officer
Hilary Ruzycky	Administrative Aide

ABSENT

Christopher Vose	Secretary
Craig Talarico	Member

Chairman Rizzo read aloud the following statement: Due to the COVID-19 pandemic this meeting is open to the public through teleconference connection. This meeting shall be recorded and later transcribed.

PUBLIC HEARING – SEWER RATES

On a motion made by Mr. Siarkowski, seconded by Ms. Trudel, carried four (4) in favor, two (2) absent, and none (0) opposed, the Board opened a public hearing at 6:01 P.M. on proposed 2021-2022 sewer rates. Chairman Rizzo inquired if anyone from the public was present and invited them to speak. No one responded or voiced comments.

Fiscal Officer Renda reviewed the proposed sewer rate schedule. Industrial sewer rates are proposed to increase 6% based on usage. Residential sewer rates are proposed to increase by 11.1%, an approximate \$25 annual increase for a three (3) person household.

PLANT OPERATIONS

Fulton Friendship House - 507 N. Perry Street in Johnstown

Plant Manager Arnold received a request for written confirmation stating the Plant has adequate sewer capacity to service a proposed apartment complex located at 507 N. Perry Street in Johnstown. Sewage demand is expected to be 6,400 GPD to 10,000 GPD. The Board unanimously agreed for Chairman Rizzo to execute a will serve letter to the contractor, Christa Construction LLC, confirming that the Gloversville-Johnstown Joint Wastewater Treatment Facility has adequate capacity to service the proposed sewage demand of 64,000 GPD to 10,000 GPD from Fulton Friendship House, providing the flows are only sanitary sewage defined by Sewer Use Law.

Internship

Plant Manager Arnold reported HFM BOCES seeks permission for students to intern at the Facility during June 1 to 11, 2021. The students will shadow staff to learn about careers in the wastewater treatment field. Liability Insurance is covered by New York Municipal Insurance Reciprocal. The Board unanimously agreed to allow students to participate in an unpaid internship at the Facility during June 2021.

BUDGET/PURCHASE/AUDIT

Adopt 2021-2022 Sewer Rates

On a motion made by Ms. Trudel, seconded by Mr. Perry, carried four (4) in favor, two (2) absent, and none (0) opposed, the Board adopted the 2021-2022 sewer rates, effective May 1, 2021 as follows:

USER CHARGE RATE FOR MCI'S:

CAPITAL

FLOW: \$ 0.11 PER 1000 GALS.
TSS: \$ 75.42 PER 1000 LBS.
BOD: \$ 55.02 PER 1000 LBS.
TKN: \$ 134.03 PER 1000 LBS.

OPERATION & MAINTENANCE

FLOW: \$ 0.48 PER 1000 GALS.
TSS: \$ 344.12 PER 1000 LBS.
BOD: \$ 233.35 PER 1000 LBS.
TKN: \$ 1,099.53 PER 1000 LBS.

I/I Fee: \$28.00 PER CONNECTION

Monitoring Fee: \$550 FOR CLASS A INDUSTRIES
\$450 FOR CLASS B INDUSTRIES

USER CHARGE RATE FOR NON-MCI'S:
(Residential, Commercial & Minor Industrial)

\$2.91 PER THOUSAND GALLONS
or \$2.18 PER HUNDRED CUBIC FEET

I/I Fee \$28.00 PER CONNECTION

WASTE RATE:

MUNICIPAL SLUDGE \$ 0.055 PER GALLON
LEACHATE \$ 0.011 PER GALLON
INDUSTRIAL SEPTAGE \$ 0.11 PER GALLON
FOOD WASTE \$ 0.33 PER GALLON
SEPTIC HAULERS \$ 0.09 PER GALLON < 300,000 GALLONS PER YEAR
\$ 0.075 PER GALLON > 300,000 GALLONS PER YEAR
REMEDIAATION WASTEWATER \$ 0.006 PER GALLON
YOGURT WHEY \$ 0.015 PER GALLON
CHEESE WHEY \$ 0.025 PER GALLON

RV DUMP \$3.00

On a motion made by Mr. Siarkowski, seconded by Mr. Perry, carried four (4) in favor, two (2) absent, and none (0) opposed, the Board closed the public hearing.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

On a motion made by Mr. Siarkowski, seconded by Mr. Perry, carried four (4) in favor, two (2) absent, and none (0) opposed, the Board went into executive session at 6:13 P.M. to discuss matters leading to the employment of a particular person.

On a motion made by Mr. Siarkowski, seconded by Ms. Trudel, carried four (4) in favor, two (2) absent, and none (0) opposed, the Board came out of executive session at 6:27 P.M.

NEW HIRE

On a motion made by Ms. Trudel, seconded by Mr. Siarkowski, carried four (4) in favor, two (2) absent, and none (0) opposed, the Board approved to offer a WWTP Operator Trainee position to Charley Brown, contingent upon approval by Civil Service.

ADJOURN MEETING

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:29 P.M. on a motion made by Mr. Siarkowski, seconded by Ms. Trudel, carried four (4) in favor, two (2) absent, and none (0) opposed.

The next regular meeting will be held on **Wednesday, May 12, 2021 at 7:00 P.M.**

Respectfully submitted,

Christopher Vose, GJSB Secretary